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GERMANS CLAIM CAPTURE OF 136,000 RUSSIAN SOLDIE

FRENCH AND BRITISH ADVANCE TERRIBLY COSTLY; AWAIT NEW ARMY

OVE AGAINST AUSTRIANS ADRIATIC MAY FORETELL

PORTS BEING SHELLED BY MORE THAN 30 FRENCH ND BRITISH VESSELS-DAY'S EVENTS IN FRANCE IELGIUM AND ON RUSSIAN BORDER SHOW FEW AD-NCES MADE—BRITISH OFFICIAL REPLY TO AMERICAN IOTE ON CARGOES WILL BE IN FRIENDLY SPIRIT AS WAS U. S. STATEMENT

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless.]

AMSTERDAM, Holland, Dec. 31.—So-called unofficial phic advices, known to emanate from German army arters, say that in the battles of Lodz and Lowicz the rmans captured 67,000 Russians, many cannon and much

Since the November offensive operations began, 136,000 ners, more than a hundred cannon and 300 machine guns ared to have been taken by the Germans.

Large Allies Fleet Bombards Naval Base of the Austrians

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Dec. 31.—Private despatches ved here from Berlin say that more than 30 French and sh warships are now bombarding Pola, the Austrian naval on the Adriatic sea, and Bouigne, a port 15 miles distant,

This sudden move by a big fleet of the Ailies, together with the fact that the has been kept quiet by the official bureaus in London and Paris, the question if the Ailies are not preparing for a land invasion of the by way of the Adriatic. All of the Austrian ports at which transpan land troops are fortified, so that the warships must clear the way. Is a strongly fortified naval base in Istria, near the head of the Adri-

es' Recent Gains So Costly Halt r New Army Expected by Experts

LONDON, England, Dec. 31.—The recent gains of the in the fighting against the determined resistance of the ns in France and Belgium has been so costly to the h and British forces that experts here believe a further I assault will be postponed until the great new British being organized by Lord Kitchener is able to take the

us pressure on the German line, however, will be re to prevent the sending of reinforcements against

man Sappers and Engineers Work nder Enemy and Explode Mine

ratively quiet. An entire French company was dehen we mined a trench in Champagne and exploded it. h attacks south of Rheims have been repulsed. In ne we have captured several trenches and 250

or artillery has disorganized the attacks in Alsace. The artillery is systematically destroying the town of tional Guard armory. The list of invited guests includes everybody, al-

ach-Fighting on West is Daily y now; French Taking Steinbach during the evening. The reception will open at 8 o'clock and dancing will

ARIS, France, Dec. 31.—Official.—"Except for some arrehanges the situation is relatively calm along the

agne the enemy succeeded in mining and extwo of our trenches and endeavored to occupy them ozion. Their attack was repulsed.

in the forest of Argonne we mined two of the enemy's marked by a low railing. The ground Warham and Lieut. Gustav Schaefer. ute, I am, and occupied the resultant excavation as well as made space in rear of the armory has been converted into a garden spot, into

In Alsace we have occupied half of the town of Stein-

Edward Grey and Ambassador

Page Discuss That American Note

Six Bluejackets Heroes of St. Georges

Street care on all lines of the Company will research the street care on all lines of LONDON, England, Dec. 31.—Ambassador Walter Hines ain early improvement in the treatment of American car-tillery was unable to support. The victors' position b in transit to Europe: .

he British reply will be drafted in the soonest possible All the bluejackets fell, but not until the gun had been id that it will be couched in the same friendly spirit as Other gunners rushed up and a few shots then demoli own in the original request.

U. S. AMBASSADOR IN FRIENDLY CONFERENCE WITH SIR EDW. GRAY



Walter Hines Page, American ambassador, who is conferring on cordial terms with British officials regarding American note.

Feast on Human Flesh Results in Arrest of Twenty of the Hungriest

riving here from the scuth seas on the teamer Moana, bring photographs showing natives of Nukahiva, Marqueeas islands, bancing around a kettleful of human flash at a cannibal feast. They say that French gendarmes have side of this time limit. arrested 20 of the ring-leaders. who prisonment at New Caledonia.

Permanent Post at Ft. Kamehameha

CLOSE BIDDING ON **EXTENSIVE WORKS**

Field with the Highest Figures

a local concern, the Honolulu Planing en is the subject of a very strongly Mill, this morning, when bids were appreciative letter froms. Lindon opened for the permanent Coast Artillery post at For: Kamehameha. The Jack Lucas firm was \$2219 below the next bidder the Lord-Young Engineer ing Co., on the entire work, and al-wrote to various members of the Asthough the contract will not be award-sociated Press to secure information ed until a detailed abstract of the on what each community is doing in various items bid on has been made, it the relief work. W. R. Farrington, is a foregone conclusion that the first general business manager of the Starmentioned firm will win out. Bids on Bulletin, in reply described the progthe four sets of barracks ran lower ress of the work in Hawaii. Mrs. than the estimates while those on the Bates' answer is as follows: 16 sets of company officers' quarters were rather higher than was figured. Mr. W. R. Farrington, accommodate 110 men each, 16 sets of company officers' quarters of the bun- My Dear Mr. Farrington: galow type, two field officers' sets, Your most interesting letter has history, inasmuch as eery religious feel that the policemen of Hono with detached servants' quarters, and been read by the committee with the eight sets of noncommissioned offi- very greatest interest. To think of

tract, and to complete the job in 18 only \$650,000, drawing from all direcmonths. It is believed, however, that tions, you will understand that my its own individual and unsurpassed the police committee." the contract can be completed well in comparison was perhaps not altogeth- style.

have been sentenced to long terms of o'clock by Lieut.-col. B. F. Cheatham, at all lacking in the fullest appreciation of the watch-party or the highest standard of effic department quartermaster.

RESPONSE LAUDED BY MRS. BATES

Bids Opened This Morning for Chairman of Woman's Section of American Commission Expresses Deep Gratitude

> **NEW YORK TOLD CITY** WAS BEHIND HAWAII!

One San Francisco Firm Enters If Metropolis Had Contributed Mirth and Music to Hold Sway In Proportion Would Have Given \$9,000,000

Approximately \$220,000 worth of Hawaii's ready response to the aparmy construction work was won by peal for relief funds for the war-strick-

cers' quarters. The moving of the the leper settlement raising \$127.65 for present storehouse is also included in Belgium! It is all profoundly touch-

Of the five bids opened, four were We knew, of course, through the from local concerns, and one from a men's department of the commission San Francisco contractor, John Monk, of the exceeding liberality of Hawaii; There are several alternatives in the in fact, I think New York has become specifications, but on straight figures a little sensitive of the degree to for the total job the bids were as fol- which we have rubbed it in, because I stated last week at a public meeting

work ten days after the award of con- mittee in New York city has collected

Bids were opened this morning at 11 I should be sorry if this would seem tion of what the people here have done. I would not have it interpreted so for anything. We are profoundly grateful and everybody is doing generously. All war needs knock at the door of our city; besides this, we have perfectly unexampled conditions of un-employment. The public is beside itself to know which of the claims upon it presses most or how to help every body in this year of universal need In the receiving line will be Gov- to this cause of the suffering Belgians. standing with it the presidents of 20

I send you (but not by way of request for anything more than your islands have so generously contrib-uted) a copy of the appeal which has Sheriff and Mrs. W. P. Jarrett, Mayor and Mrs. J. J. Fern and Mayor-elect and Mrs. John hane.

Maj. M. M. Johnson, assisted by men everywhere have rallied in our Capt. J. D. Dougherty, Capt. W. V. behalf and are helping us to save the

> Thanking you very much for y letter, and speaking on behalf of woman's section in grateful appreci-tion of all that your island peop

Cordially yours,
JOSEPHINE BATES,
MRS. LINDON BATES,

LATE STREET CARS

BE GIVEN REAL

Young 1915 Will Find Honolulu Suggests Olive-drab Similar to Wide-awake and On Streets To Make Him Welcome

VETERAN 1914 TO RECEIVE BURIAL BEFITTING RANK

at Joining of Milestones of the Calendar

Street dancing, confetti carnivals, ory will be given first place on the members of the new police com program which will usher in 1915 to The only change that may be my Honolulu tonight.

The oldtime "watch" parties, the of uniforms worn by the policen order of New Year's eve in social and Supervisor-elect Robert Horner religious circles, have been abandon- clared himself against the pres ing, so far as could be ascertained in the Star-Bulletin this morning. advance, not one watch-party or . "The present uniform is not in ing of 1914, save at the clubs and restrousers forming anything but a

point of view, rather, it has been the and attractive. ed in a remarkable degree.

reception at the Armory and a num- of ordering the olive-drab." ber of special dances, but the street Mr. Horner declared that his opposition

al fun which characterizes Hawaiian affairs. [Associated Press by Fed. Wireless.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 31.—
Eneign Armstrong and Marcus Marshall of Los Angeles, passengers arbillof Los Angeles, passengers arriving here from the scuth scas on the scale of the

Honolulu's climate and not a lack of has a good police department and the religious enthususm brought about only thing lacking to bring it up

(Continued on page three)

That Worn by Traffic Squad of San Francisco

SAYS DEPARTMENT GOOD IF RULES ARE ENFORCED

Left For Coast Under Impression He Would Be Member of Other Committees

No radical changes will be made in cafe and grill entertainments and the Honolulu police system by the grand balls at the beach and the Arm- new city administration, according to in the coming year will be in the style ed in favor of the street celebration, combination of a heavy blue coat and for after a careful canvass this morn- white trousers, when interviewed by

church entertainment will be held to-night in commemoration of the pass-heavy blue coat and the thin whit combination. I like the olive-drab un Not that 1914 has not been success form worn by the traffic po of San Francisco.

most successful year in Honolulu's "However," he continued, "I do not organization in the city has expand- should be forced at this time to purchase new uniforms, but if at any Instead, however, this New Year's time, perhaps after the present ones eve celebration is to be on the streets. begin to need replacing, the officers there will be the Governor's ball and

carnivals are expected to draw the tunities at San Francisco were not larger crowds.

First of all there will be the confetti carnival, that festival of informs for the mainland to study municipal

included in the street carnival in me for those committees. When I rewhich Honolulu will make merry in turned I was told that I would be on

"I have this much to say, Ho the proper enforcing of the depart-

CUT RATES: BUSINESS IS G

A 20 per cent cut in electric light rates, to go into effect tomorrow, was announced today by the Hawaiian ation has rallied to meet the need.

The woman's section has today to 16 cents. The reduction affects all

classes of users.

"The business of the company is such that it can afford to lower its rates and share its profits with fits customers," is the simple but optimistic explanation given by F. E. Blake, the company's general manager.

This is the third voluntary reduction in rates made by the electric company in less than five years. In May, 1910, there was a cut from 17 to 15 cents. In May, 1913, this was lowered to 12% cents. Honolulu electric light consumers will now be paying one-third less on their monthly bills than they did five years ago.

"We have always gone on a policy

"We have always gone on a po-of voluntarily regulating our rates the basis of our profits," said Mans Blake. "In casting up accounts the past year and looking over prospects for 1915 we find we are tilled in charging less than we in We did the same two years ago. I is the way we have always done is ness with the public and we be found it never

se cheap as it is here."

Although the report for the 127 business has not been completed. Mi Blake and it would show a continuation of the steady growth that he muriced past years. This growth his been equally divided in the just year between the demonstrate and communication and communications.

Although there have been character.

Third Voluntary Reduction by Crease, which is considered significant in a year marked by unusually hard times all over the mainland.

According to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to present plans there will be no change in policy and according to the present plans there will be no change in policy and according to the presen

y, and that many

TRILIN, Germany, Dec. 31.—"The western arena of war Territory's Chief Executive to work decorating, and the results are So, we appreciate profoundly the **Entertain at the National Guard Armory** Official and civilian Hawaii and the citizens of the territory in general

are to be the guests of Governor Lucius E Pinkham tonight at a recepthough it was only possible to send out about 2000 personal invitations. Everyone 's expected, and preparations are being made to look after from three to five thousand guests

The armory has been transformed from a place of military drill to a vast ballroom, with decorations of flags, pennants and greens covering the walls and lofty roof arch. At the far end of the floor will be the receiving line, forming a semicircle which is a large force of men has been at W. Jones.

ernor Pinkham, Mrs. Charles B. Coop- All through America it has been far er, Maj.-Gen. and Mrs. W. H. Carter, and away the most bountiful support Rear Admiral and Mrs. C. B. T. Moore, as its need is far and away the direct Col. and Mrs. John W. Jones, Lieut. The thought of seven millions of peo-Col. Charles B. Cooper, Mrs. James D. ple in extremities and lacking even Dougherty, Secretary of the Territory the minimum to sustain life is so and Mrs. Wade Warren Thayer, Attor- truly appalling that our whole popuney General and Mrs. I. M. Stainback, lation has rallied to meet the need. Treasurer and Mrs. C. J. McCarthy, Superintendent of Public Works and Mrs. Forbes, Auditor and Mrs. J. H. national and international organiza-Fisher, Surveyor and Mrs. W. E. Wali, tions and 23 states, representing col-Dr. J. S. B. Pratt, president of the lectively over six millions of women. board of health, and Mrs. Pratt, H. W. Kinney, superintendent of public instruction, and Mrs. Kinney, Land Commissioner Joshua D. Tucker, High Sheriff and Mrs. W. P. Jarrett, Mayor

Kolb, Capt. Paul Super, Lieut. Charles Frazier and Lieut. James D. Reardan will make the introductions.

The ushers will be Maj. A. W. Neely, Capt. Laurence Redington. Capt. Henry Van Gieson, Capt. R. W. have been so generous as to co The committee in charge of the decorations and other details consists of

which the crowd can overflow for a Capt. Henry P. O'Sullivan, Capt few minutes in the open air. A wire fence, thatched with palm leaves, has been erected on the Miller street side. The general committee in charge of of the lot, to insure privacy in rear the reception and ball consists of Ter-of the building. For three days past ritorial Secretary Thayer and Col. J.

critical. Then the bluejackets loaded a three-inch gun on a he official press bureau, giving the developments, says punt and poled it into position through a continuous rifle fire German position.